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## PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Petition is submitted in response to the December 23, 2008 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. An Amendment In Response To December 23, 2008 Final Office Action was filed on February 23, 2009 (received in the U.S. Patent Office on February 27, 2009) in connection with the subject application. An Advisory Action issued March 18, 2009 indicating that the Amendment filed February 23, 2009 would not be entered and further indicating that the period for reply expires three months from the mailing date of the final rejection (i.e. March 23, 2009). Accordingly, a response to the December 23, 2008 Final Office Action was due March 23, 2009. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time in order to timely file a Request For Continued Examination in connection with the subject application. The fee for a one-month extension of time for a small entity is SIXTY FIVE DOLLARS (\$65.00) and a check including this amount is enclosed. With a one-month extension of time a response is now due April 23, 2009. Accordingly, this Petition is being timely filed.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

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No fee, apart from the enclosed fee of \$470.00, including a Request for Continued Examination fee of \$405.00 and a \$65.00 fee for a one-month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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